

**Figure 4, next page--FY04 Total Unduplicated Expenditures
by Percentage in Current and Other Expenditures**

Purpose:

Within the education system, a level of expenditures can be calculated which eliminates duplication caused by inter-district tuitions, fees and assessments. (See the Discussion section at the beginning of this report) The result is referred to as Total Unduplicated Expenditures, which in FY04 were \$1,207,761,847 for all of Vermont. The two pie charts on the next page show a breakdown of this amount into the components of Current Expenditures and Other Expenditures.

Accrual accounting separates expenditures for resources that are used within the current year from outlays for assets that have value carrying over into future years. Current Expenditures are the expenditures necessary each year to provide an education for students from pre-kindergarten through the 12th grade. The category includes expenditures for instruction, support services, general and school administration, business services, operations and maintenance, student transportation and enterprise operations. Enterprise operations, such as food services, are supported primarily by fees and charges; i.e., they generate much of their own revenue.

Other Expenditures include money spent on assets that have value over several years including capital construction, land and existing structures, debt service, and equipment. Money spent on programs that do not involve the education of PK-12 students, such as adult education, is also included in the Other Expenditures category.

Some of the components in the other expenditures category can fluctuate substantially from year to year. For this reason, the figure for PK-12 Total Current Unduplicated Expenditures is usually the most appropriate number for making comparisons over time.

Results:

FY04 Current Expenditures of \$1,027,831,360 represent 85.1% of Total Unduplicated Expenditures. Direct Instructional Services represent a major portion (61.7%) of the pie chart displaying Current Expenditure categories.

FY04 Other Expenditures totaling \$179,930,487 represent 14.9% of Total Unduplicated Expenditures. Tuition and fees to independent and out of state schools account for 32.8% of Other Expenditures. Interest and principal on long-term debt account for 22.5% and Capital Construction, Land, and Existing Structures constitute 33.2%.

Fig. 4

**FY04 Total Unduplicated Expenditures
\$1,207,761,847**

